DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REPORT

The Downtown Development Commission was called to order on June 20, 2013 at 6:00 P.M.

On roll call were members Mayor Baumgartner, J. Kierstyn, C. Scott, D. Eylander, B. Kierstyn, S. LaVallee, D. Beckman and B. Berry.

Others attending were Administrator Ellisor, Admin. Asst. Michelle Klein, City Forester Terry McConnell and Chuck Sulik of MSA.

Motion by B. Kierstyn, Second by D. Beckman to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2013 meeting as printed. All voted aye.

Petitions and Communications

City Administrator Ellisor informed the Committee that the City was approved for loan funds from the Adams County Rural Development Commission to assist with the GEITS/City economic development effort.

Agenda Items

Discussion/Review – General Development & Activity Affecting the Main Street Corridor: Three to Five Unit Retail/Office Complex (former Burger King site)

Mayor Baumgartner advised on a proposed development on Main Street immediately north of East State Street. The developers may attend the next DDC meeting to present their plans.

Development Idea Exchange – Lions Park

Chuck Sulik of MSA was provided ideas from the Committee regarding the Lions Park redevelopment. Ideas included reversing placement of the band shelter from the north end of the park to the south end. Other ideas included restrooms in the band structure, an outdoor clock, a combination splash pad and ice rink, dual purpose Farmers market/pavilion and others.

Discussion/Review Communications with DOT Regarding Main Street

Chuck Sulik suggested that grant possibilities be explored with the State to go along with the DOT ideas.

Discussion/Update - Regarding Effort to Amend TIF#2 and TIF#3 Plan (MSA)

MSA provided TIF#2 and TIF#3 project cost estimates and stated they are working with Ehlers to finalize the plan amendments.

Motion by B. Kierstyn, Second by D. Beckman to adjourn. All voted aye.

Joe Kierstyn/mlk

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: July 18th, 2013, 6:00 p.m. **AGENDA:**